



West Virginia Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 7/13/2020	Time: 15:27	Location: Online
Meeting Called To Order: Bobby Hoge		

SIEC Membership & Participation

(X – Present; Blank – Absent; X-CC – Present via Conference Call)

1	Bump, Paul		WV Zone 1 Switch Agency
2	White, Byrd	Proxy Dirk Burnside	WV Department of Transportation
3	Channel, Fred	CC	RIC 4 Chairman
4	Dooley, Lisa		WV Municipal League
5	Spence, Josh	Proxy James Dixon	WV Office of Technology
6	Zilinski, John	CC	RIC 5 Chairman
7	Barr, Greg		WV Parkways Authority
8	Hart, Tom		RIC 2 Chairman
9	Tatum, Mike	Proxy Bob Hoge	WV E-911 Council
10	Cahill, Jan		WV State Police
11	Neal, David	CC	WV SWIC
12	McCallister, Roy	CC	RIC 1 Chairman
13	Hoyer, James	Proxy Danny Kirby	WV National Guard
14	Stephens, Steve		WV Sheriff's Association
15	Piercy, Jennifer		WV County Commission Association
16	Polczynski, Jeff	CC	RIC 3 Chairman
17	Mills, Michael		WV Health & Human Resources
18	Saffel, Dave	CC	APCO
19	Tyree, Ken	Proxy Bobby Palmer	WV State Fire Marshal
20	Kirk, Thomas	Proxy GE McCabe	WVDEM Director
21	Vargo, Lou		WV Zone 3 Switch Agency
22	Vititoe, Steve		RIC 6 Chairman
23	Meadows, Dean	Proxy – Justin Wolfe	WV Emergency Management Council

Non-SIEC Board Members Present

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1	RC Faulk	CC	Assistant SWIC
2	Dustyn McConnell	CC	Harrison County EMS
3	Jim Mangus	CC	RIC 1
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Previous Minutes Reviewed and Approved

- **Motion:** Dave Saffel
- **Second:** Roy McCallister
- **Motion:** Passed

Technical Committee Report – Dave Saffel

- Report from Frequency procurement
 - Status of frequency searching
 - North Mountain (Berkeley) – Report from Jeff Polczynski – No progress
- Lick Knob – Possibly going to have to move. Still investigating
- Equipment testing –
 - Motorola radio – Motorola advised that radio would not function on our network.
- System Version Upgrade Status – The principle 7.18 upgrade has been done. They are working on the punch list and some recorder upgrades, but otherwise are finished. In August we are going to move to a status of Beneficial Use.
- Programming
 - Current Versioning –
 - Motorola APX 21.00.01 - MEGA Firmware 21.03.00 (All models)
 - Motorola CPS 20.01.00 – Firmware 20.50.10
 - Kenwood – KPG-95DGN v 8.30 (10 Series) Firmware – 4.43 (v2) 6.14 (v3)
 - Kenwood – KPG-112DN V2.33 (20 Series) Firmware 2.21
 - Kenwood – KPG-D1N 4.22 (NX-5X00 & 30 Series)–Firmware 4.24
- Laurel Tower – SIRN technician for the site will be queried, but the Technical Committee does not object to amateur co-location on Laurel Tower and Fire Department on the Cleveland Mountain Site.
- Helicopter usage of SIRN – Request from Air Methods (parent company of Health Net) to use SIRN channels. Committee recommends approval, GE McCabe Second, Motion passed.



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- Band Plan 4 – Will be implemented as part of finishing up the upgrade.
- MOVHD requesting a talkgroup coverage modification to support the areas they are working in. They need to take that request through Tim Priddy (DHHR).
- Programming problems in the Eastern Panhandle – Kenwood radios in Mineral, Hampshire, and Morgan counties had programming issues found when evaluated by State Police technicians.
- Morgan County is going to be online with a direct connect console site. They are going to have 7 positions and hope to be online soon.
- Site Updates - Mon County has TEP doing an engineering study and possible solution for Katherine’s site.
- Weirton site antennas have arrived. The site was overgrown and is going to be cleaned up and equipment installation will be schedules.
- Jesse tower – 350 tower that was built for AT&T and T-Mobile who have both pulled out. We are looking into the viability of acquiring that tower.
- Roanoke – The National Guard has declined to take assist in roadway repair.
- Tunnel Equipment – Microwave equipment will be dismantled from there and placed in storage and used for spares.

Important Technical Information

Channel ID Plan	3	4	5
Bandwidth	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz	12.5 kHz
Transmit Offset Sign	+	+	+
Transmit Offset MHz.	5 MHz	5 MHz	9 MHz
Channel Spacing	12.5 kHz	6.25 kHz	6.25 kHz
Base Frequency	453.025 MHz	450.000 MHz	400 MHz

NOTE: This information has changed!!!!

Important Kenwood Programming information (UPDATED 04/12/16):

Check Background Hunt and RSSI CC Hunt

BER = 4.0 (default)

Hunt Start Time (Hunt) = 300

Hunt Start Time (Idle) = Not changeable version 2

Acceptable RSSI Level = -108 (default)



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Good RSSI = -88 (default)

LM1 = 0 (default)

Home RFSS = FE

Home Site = FE

(FE disables the radio from trying to look for a Home RFSS and Home)

PTT Release Hunt = unchecked

Hunt Option > Slot = 99 (ensures all adjacent sites are searched)

Hunt Option > Sampling Rate = 7 (number of adjacent sites)

Policy and Procedures Committee Report – Rodney Evans

- Did not meet

Training/Education/Outreach Committee Report – RC Faulk

- Will be working with Icom to set up a training for new trainers on July 22nd via a virtual platform

Conference Committee Report – Jeff Perry

- Will plan to conduct a virtual Conference
- Programming courses will follow on subsequent days
- RC Faulk will provide a free registration portal and provide an advertisement flyer

Planning Committee Report – Bobby Hoge

- BRIM Insurance – worked on coverages from the BRIM spreadsheet and confirming what coverages were listed. There will be follow up with counties to confirm their coverages are appropriate and adequate in a working group.
- McDowell County Grant Funds - \$335,000 – email sent to David Hoge and waiting on response.
- SWIC Report & Site Status
 - Weirton – antenna's arrived, cleaning up the site and getting equipment delivered
 - Hinton – Suggested getting quote from Premier to move tower from Paint Creek & reinstall
 - Weston – Microwave dishes are mounted at Weston and Roanoke, Status of MW radio's is to be determined
 - Richwood – RF & Microwave needed
 - Horsepen – Visited site and met with AEP, combine the DNR site with the WVSP site, build new solid leg tower, partnership with AEP
 - Jesse – possible location for Wyoming County, private entire looking to sell 350' self-support tower



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- Lick Knob/Mossy – Plan to get all players together to work out a plan including Parkways, AEP, Raleigh and Fayette County, Two Way Radio, Lloyds Electronics, and WCIR radio; not sure about amateur users

New & Emerging Technologies – Paul Bump

- Did not meet

RIC Region 1 Report – Roy McCallister

Kanawha, Clay, Putnam, Jackson, Roane, Calhoun, Ritchie, Wirt, Wood, and Pleasant

- Next meeting July 30, 2020

RIC Region 2 Report – Tom Hart

Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Tyler, Doddridge, Harrison, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Taylor

- Nothing reported

RIC Region 3 Report – Jeff Polczynski

Grant, Hardy, Hampshire, Berkeley, Jefferson, Mineral, Morgan

- Next meeting is July 15, 2020

RIC Region 4 Report – Fred Channel

Pocahontas, Pendleton, Webster, Randolph, Tucker, Barbour, Upshur, Braxton, Gilmer, Lewis

- Next meeting is July 16, 2020

RIC Region 5 Report – John Zilinski

Mercer, McDowell, Wyoming, Raleigh, Summers, Monroe, Greenbrier, Nicholas, and Fayette

- Next meeting is July 16, 2020

RIC Region 6 Report – Steve Vititoe

Cabell, Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Mason, Mingo

- Nothing reported



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Business Conducted

Next meeting August 10th, 2020 with a location to be determined later.

Meeting adjournment.

- **Motion:** **Dave Saffel**
- **Second:** **Danny Kirby**
- **Motion:** **Passed**